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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: Information Sharing System for Analysts

REFERENCE: DIA Memo S-1820/VP-A, Subject: Transmittal of  
New Analytical Approach, 23 May 1984

1. Thank you for the opportunity to examine the latest update of  
[redacted] Future Trends Study, as transmitted by the reference.

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2. One of the real challenges facing the Intelligence Community is the attempt to anticipate future needs of national concern, so as to effectively and realistically conduct long-range planning. It is gratifying to see that DIA has a continuing program to grapple with this very difficult problem.

3. Community long-range planning is being addressed by the IC Staff. I will have this study sent to [redacted] to combine with other elements of his work along these lines.

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John N. McMahon



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MEMORANDUM FOR (DISTRIBUTION LIST)

SUBJECT: Transmittal of New Analytical Approach

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1. [ ] I would like to bring to your attention a new Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) document which has resulted from a three-year effort to develop a new analytical approach as an aid in intelligence forecasting. This study, which consisted of two phases, has drawn upon alternative views of DIA analysts who have examined military and related trends in 1981 and reassessed these trends in 1983. The survey on which this study is based assembled both substantiated and speculative views of importance to U.S. security interests in the coming decade. 25X1

2. [ ] It is my hope that through assistance of all elements of the Intelligence Community, as recently directed by the Intelligence Producers Council, it will be possible to further develop this approach so as to make it more useful to Community analysts and managers. 25X1

3. [ ] I believe that this initiative is one of a number of possible new measures to be taken in order to improve the quality of intelligence forecasting. I hope that this new approach will be useful to your own analytical effort. Should you have any suggestions or ideas about making the effort more effective, please let me know. 25X1

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